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1. SOURCE AT BRITISH HIGH COMMISSION HAS FURTHER CLARIFIED UNDERSTANDING WHICH BARBADIANS REACHED WITH HMG DURING JUDITH HART'S VISIT EARLIER THIS MONTH. HART TOLD BARBADIANS BRITIAN WOULD SUPPORT ANY REQUEST MADE BY BARBADOS TO FORM SUB-GROUP FOR BARBADOS ALONE. SHE SAID BRITAIN COMMITTED TO TWO SEPARATE SUB-GROUPS AS WELL FOR JAMAICA AND GUYANA. IN ADDITION TO SUB-GROUP WHICH BARBADOS WANTS SET UP SOLELY FOR ITSELF, BARBADOS WOULD ALSO LIKE TO BE PART OF ANY SUB-GROUP IF JOINTLY SET UP FOR OTHER SMALL ISLANDS IN EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUCH AS GRENADA AND WEST INDIES ASSOCIATED STATES. SOURCE EMPHASIZED THAT BARBADOS ITSELF WOULD INITIATE REQUEST TO WORLD BANK TO FORM ITS SUB-GROUP. NOT CLEAR WHO WOULD INITIATE SECOND SUB-GROUP FOR BARBADOS, GRENADA, AND WEST INDIES ASSOCIATED STATES.

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2. BARBADOS GOVERNMENT HAS SO FAR SHOWN ITSELF RELUCTANT TO GIVE EMBASSY RECENTLY COMPLETED STUDY ON BARBadian BALANCE OF PAYMENTS. WILL SUBMIT AS SOON AS WE CAN OBTAIN.
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